

NOT POINT.
anything is fair in love
"You mean, I suppose,
and after it."
Test.—"What is big
rascality?" "Very good;
single flying machine;
Chicago Record.
If your watch stop-
ped it on the floor?—Did you
through?"—Tit-Bits.
leasantly.—What did
he cough?" "Indeed!
had them?" "Oh, for
on!"—Chicago Record.
perfect enjoyment of
be complete confi-
Chicago)—"I have
tically the same—using
Life.

ad.—Wheeler—"I sup-
machines are invent-
and be happy." Mr.
until the next year's
Truth.

llus tell what ter pub
in' at de surface," said
cork on de fishin'-line
"trucks a heap o' ten-
hook dat's doin' busi-
on Star.

h.—Agent—"Here is a
gentleman ought to
Architecture." Mr.
ave no use for it; it's
you how to build a
regular little palace,
nd dollars." "Thaven's
arn. I haven't over
my name." "Well, my
pillar."—N. Y. Weekly.

CHIPMUNKS.

Their Themselves and

the Spring.
eek sleeps away the
so in his narrower
the chipmunk. Happy
of the sun, mate of
and the butterflies,
hopeful token of the
fe is he, verifying the
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libations of dew and the
bluebird's carol,
g of spring.

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ess of the sunlit day,
sakening to his sun-
recluse clad in all
ster, maybe, yet no

its monotony, is in-
ess and contentment,
his thin, sharp chirp-
sek, or laughs a chit-
he scurries in at his

his crooked pathway
and forages for half-
the familiar grounds,
in leaves or dust with
times he ventures to
limbs to a giddy ten-
ree, whence he looks
on the wide expanse

for him, and you
with a softly-whis-
te him to frolic with
ently moved before

have made the white
osoms into cheeses
the chipmunk, it is
ce him gathering his
oothily stripping off
filling his cheek
tiny disks and scam-
cellar with his un-
A black the day, when
prouting corn tempt
for then he becomes
and the sudden thun-
ounces his tragic
the secret of con-
house, without a
scattered soil at its
himself honestly, and
the cat, the hawk
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Indian summer falls
in, he bids us a long
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wounds and died. George Johnson was
fatally wounded. Felix and Aaron John-
son, white, were all seriously wounded.
Young White escaped though wounded.

An Interview on Cuba.
The president devoted two hours this
afternoon to listening to an unofficial re-
port of the Cuban situation by Edwin T.
Atkins of Boston, who has extensive sugar
plantations in the island. He is a
warm personal friend of Secretary Long
and just returned from Cuba. Long ac-
companied him to the White House.
Judge Day called in and the trio listened
to the planter's view of the situation as
indicated by the military operations and
with relations to American interests in
Cuba. All visitors were excluded. It is
not known what Atkins said to the pres-
ident but there is reason to believe that he
favors the insurgents. The president is
gathering all the information possible on
Cuba and in the light of this and the re-
port of Calhoun, now in Havana, he will
decide on a course of action.

Another Cuban Resolution.
Castle of California, introduced a joint
resolution in the house today for the re-
ognition of the belligerent rights of the
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CUBA AT THE FRONT

The President May Have to Act in
Cuban Matters Before Cal-
houn Returns.

THE CUBAN QUESTION LAID OVER

The Senate Foreign Relations Commit-
tee Lays Cuban Matter Over Un-
til Monday When Decisive
Action is Expected.

Washington, May 13.—The senate com-
mittee on foreign relations considered the
Cuban question but arrived at no conclusion.
The whole matter is going over until
Monday, when it is expected a report
will be ready and will be submitted to the
senate. A brief covering the essential
points in the correspondence from Cuba
was read to the committee but further in-
formation was deemed necessary to an ac-
curate and fair presentation of the case to
the senate.

In the foreign relations committee in
its conference on Cuba a brief was pre-
sented by the sub-committee which yes-
terday conferred with the president and
Secretary Sherman. It was prepared by
Davis and Foraker, Morgan declining to
participate.

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on Cuban belligerency went over till
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IT WAS NOT ABOUT CUBA.

A Conference Between the President and
Secretary Long Causes Some Excitement.

Washington, May 13.—The president and
Secretary of the Navy Long and As-
sistant Secretary of State Day held an ex-
tended conference this afternoon in the
cabinet room. It was generally under-
stood that important matters relating to
the Cuban question were discussed.

It is learned the conference was not re-
garding Cuban affairs but the New York
dry dock, whose condition is giving the
secretary considerable concern.

UGLY MURDER IN MISSOURI.

Walter Hager Killed by Charles Martin—
Werke the Sons of Two Sisters.

Moberly, Mo., May 13.—Between 9 and
10 o'clock last night Charles Martin shot
and killed Walter Hager in the front yard
of Allen D. Terrill, who resides about a
mile and a half south of Moberly. Mar-

tin is 17 years old, a son of Thomas Mar-
tin, a farmer, who resides four miles
south of Moberly. Hager was nearly 21
years old, and is a son of George Hager,
a well known locomotive engineer.

Walter Hager was engaged to marry
Allen D. Terrill, and young Martin had been
paying his addresses to the next eldest
daughter. A dispute arose in the house
last night and Hager remarked that it
was no place to settle difficulties. He left
the house before Martin, and was waiting
for him at the side in front of the house.

The quarrel was here renewed. A pistol
shot was soon heard, followed by at least
three others. Hager was able to reach
the house to state that Martin had shot
him. He was lifted on the porch, where
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Young Martin claims self-defense. Ha-
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An adjourned meeting of the board of
review of the National Trotting associa-
tion was held in Chicago yesterday.

Wm. T. Best, the organist and
composer, is dead at London. He was born
at Carlisle in 1826.

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parts, and each in time became a perfect
animal.

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freight association case.

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Cubans. The house witnessed another
attack by Simpson of Kansas, on the
speaker's refusal to appoint the commit-
tee and then took up the conference re-
port on the Indian appropriation bill.

TILLMAN VINEGAR.

The Pitchfork Statesman Talks About
Corrupting Senators,

Washington, May 13.—The senate de-
cided today when it adjourned it shall be
till Monday, then it entered on the discus-
sion of Allen's resolution directing that
Broker Chapman be held in contempt for
refusal to testify before the senate sugar
investigating committee, and that he be
required to purge himself of contempt be-
fore he receives executive clemency. The
discussion ranged from dry legal argu-
ment to a sensational outbreak from Till-
man of South Carolina.

Senator Tillman made a sensational
speech in the course of the debate on
bringing Chapman before the bar of the
Senate. He said the Senate should not go
after Chapman but should learn whether
the senators had speculated in sugar
stocks. There were published charges, he
said, that senators had speculated in sugar
stock within the last week. Instead of
looking to Chapman, he said, the Senate
might better call on Havemeyer and other
sugar trust grandees. Referring to the
last investigation he said: "We want to
know whether our committee was bought
and paid the men who bought them."

The Chapman resolution was finally re-
ferred to the judiciary committee.

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GRAIN DEPARTMENT SHORTAGE.

Evidence that Illinois Lost \$55,000 During Andrew's Term.

Chicago, May 13.—The special grand
jury investigating the affairs of the state
grain inspector's office has heard evidence
which tends to show that the state of Illino-
is was robbed of at least \$55,000 during
the administration of Governor Atgeld.

B. B. Ray, secretary of the railroad and
warehouse commission, testified that the
books showed a surplus in the grain office
of \$45,000 at the time State Inspector
Price turned over the office to his suc-
cessor, G. P. Bunker. Dwight W. An-
drews, who was until recently chairman
of the Democratic state committee, served
out Bunker's unexpired term. When
Andrews turned over the office to E. J.

Nobis, the present chief grain inspector,
there was a deficit of \$10,000, making a
difference of \$55,000. This, with the re-
ceipts of the office, has disappeared.

The expenses in 1896 ran from \$3000 to
\$5000 a month. One peculiar feature of
the pay rolls is the apparent reduction of
salaries in the grain office. The pay rolls

show that salaries were reduced, but the
same men were allowed extra pay, and these
names appear on both the regular and extra
pay rolls. In many cases it is im-
possible to tell by the vouchers where
the money went or to whom it was paid.

MARRIED IN PARIS.

Mrs. Alice Cary Crossed the Sea to Wed
Frank J. Fitzwilliam, Jr.

Bloomington, Ill., May 13.—A telegram
was received from Paris, France, conve-
ying the news of the marriage at the
American Episcopal church of Mr. Frank
J. Fitzwilliam, Jr., of this city, and Mrs.

Alice Cary of Champaign. The news is a
genuine surprise to the friends of both
and to the people of the two cities. Mr.
Fitzwilliam is studying architecture in
Paris. Miss Cary left home to visit
friends in Canton, Mass., where she re-
mained only a few days, proceeding thence
to Paris. Her family knew of her jour-
ney, but did not inform friends outside of
the family. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzwilliam
will remain in Paris until the completion
of the former's studies. Both are prominent
and popular in the best circles. They met while Mr. Fitzwilliam was a
student at the University of Illinois.

Kansas City Prize Fight.

Kansas City, Mo., May 13.—Johnny
Ford, the armoured featherweight,
knocked out Andy Wirthman of Daven-
port, Iowa, in two minutes in a suburban
bout early this morning. The fight was
intended to last ten rounds. Wirthman was
dazed by a jaw blow, which Ford fol-
lowed with several stiff punches landing
the down on the ropes. The winner took
the purse and gate receipts.

The War in the Philippines.

Madrid, May 13.—An official Manila
dispatch says the Spanish troops captured
Ternate. Fifty-seven insurgents were
killed. The Spaniards lost twenty-five

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ILLINOIS SOLONS.

INSURGENTS IN HAVANA.

Gomez Causing Alarm at the Capital—
Shameful Treatment of Women.

Key West, Fla., May 13.—In Havana
provinces the insurgents are growing more
active every day. Near Benjugal, in that
province, Colonel Cardenas, with a force
of 400 Cubans, met and defeated a Spanish
detachment under Major Severas recently.
The Spanish were well entrenched.

The Cubans, finding that they could
not force the fortifications, made a faint
of fleeing, and in this way drew the Span-
ish in pursuit. A large force was held in
concealment until the pursuing Span-
iards had passed and then fell upon their
flanks and rear with stunning force. The
route was terrible and the loss to the Span-
iards great. The survivors fled toward
Benjugal. The Cubans burnt the block
house at Benjugal, procuring one old field
piece and 200 stands of arms.

Another story comes from Guanabacoa
of the arrival there of thirty or forty Cuban
women, who were arrested and sent in
in accordance with Weyler's recent
order, on account of Cuban raids on towns
where they lived. They were of all ages,
from girls of 15 and 16 to matrons of 55
and 60.

Mrs. Louisa Garcia was torn from the
side of the altar as she was being married.
Two girls of 18 and 20 were taken from
the bedside of their dying father. A
group of four girls had gone to attend a
ball at the town where they were arrested.
The Spanish officers entered the hall
room and selected eight or ten of the wo-
men. They were compelled to come attired
in their ball dresses. They are incar-
cerated in the woman's prison, where they
will probably remain for a long pe-
riod.

A band of Cubans under Delgado en-
compassed Havana Saturday and Sunday,
firing at the outposts and creating consider-
able stir. Sunday night the firing was
very heavy for over an hour, and it is
stated that a number of Spanish soldiers
were killed and wounded and that the Cu-
ban loss was still greater. The Cubans
are making frequent dashes around the
outposts with their cavalry, and every
morning from one to twenty-five wounded
Spanish soldiers are brought into the
city hospitals.

For the last few days Havana has been
in an uproar over the movements of Gen-
eral Gomez. Several times large detach-
ments from his army have passed from
Matanzas province into Havana territory.
All the outside garrisons in Havana have
been hastily re-enforced, troops have been
transferred from point to point and earth
works put up to command the approach
on the main roads. Gomez's movements
were rapid and somewhat eccentric, and no
sooner would the Spaniards learn of his
presence at one point than he would be
reported at another. It is not thought
here that Gomez has any designs on Ha-
vana. Several Spanish detachments that
were sent out to meet him have fled dis-
astrously, one column under Colonel Je-
sus del Moraz having fallen into an am-

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REPUBLICAN JUDICIAL TICKET.

For Judge of the 3d Supreme District,
JACOB W. WILKIN, of Vermilion.
Election June 7.]

For Judges of the Sixth Circuit.
[Three to elect—Election June 7.]
W. G. COCHIAN, of Moultrie.
F. M. WRIGHT, of Champaign.
E. P. VAIL, of Macon.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, May 13.—Generally fair and cooler tonight and Friday, possibly preceded by local showers late this afternoon, conditions favorable for light frosts Friday morning, fresh west to northwest winds.

A Civil Service Blunder.

St Louis Globe-Democrat: It may be taken for granted that it is not the purpose of civil service rules to injure or destroy the efficiency of any department of the government. Yet those who are best informed concerning the work of the United States corps of engineers can see nothing but impairment in the order issued in the last year of Mr. Cleveland's administration, directing that all employees of the department above the grade of laborer be classified under one of eleven heads. The new order went into effect September 1 last, with a most unfortunate effect upon the operations of the engineers, who find their labors hampered and made more costly and their system confused by the efforts to "reform" what was already in excellent running order. For a hundred years the department has been conducted without the loss of a cent from default, or the serious inroads of political spoilsmen. It is easy to imagine the dismay of the engineers, with their high record for honesty and capacity, when called on to turn over the selection of their subordinates to martinet examining boards with no practical knowledge of the difficult duties involved.

Senator Frye, chairman of the committee on rivers and harbors, announces that he does not intend that civil service shall interfere with work on river improvements. The assurance is timely, since the civil service classification in this branch of engineering is simply paralyzing. If a cook, fireman, mate, engineer, pilot or other classified employee, suddenly leaves a government boat engaged in delivering material to keep hundreds of men busy, no unclassified man can be employed to take his place. The vessel must be tied to the bank until the captain reports to the engineers, who advise the secretary of war. The secretary makes a requisition on the civil service commission, who send a list of eligibles for cooks, firemen, etc., from the first three of which a man must be selected for appointment by the secretary. If no eligibles are available there must be an advertisement and competitive examinations, after which the secretary acts, and the steamboat finally gets its reform cook from some distant part of the country. He may not know enough to boil an egg, but he is up in the greatest business of the examination papers and books, and as a duly classified man he is a perfected product. If his superiors deny it their grievance goes to the civil service commission.

Colonel Mackenzie, the former acting chief of engineers, says he is in favor of the application of civil service to the department with which he is connected, but he makes so many qualifying remarks that the weight of his argument is on the other side. He admits that he would prefer a system by which all men seeking employment on river improvements should be selected by the engineer in charge of the work, his choice to be approved by the chief of engineers. He also refers to the enormous political pressure brought to bear for appointments on the secretary of war, and this brings the whole subject back to the spoils system. In the examinations Colonel Mackenzie says that the educational and medical tests have been largely modified or abandoned. The conclusion is irresistible that a thoroughly effective department of the government has been modeled in the name of civil service reform, and that it may be destroyed unless the absurd sham is set aside.

The Cuban Question.

There will probably be some positive action in the senate on the Cuban question in the near future. Mr. Calhoun has gone to Cuba as the special representative of the president to investigate the Ruiz case and a committee from the senate has received assurances from the president that all the correspondence in the state department relative to the Cuban question will be laid before the senate committee on foreign affairs and that he will carry out any decision congress may arrive at in relation to the position the United States shall assume in the matter.

of the Cuban rebellion. This means quick developments and possibly the speedy recognition of the Cubans as belligerents or the acknowledgment of their independence by the United States, and why not?

Already there seems to have been too much delay in the matter. Had Spain in all this time been waging civilized warfare on the island of Cuba there might be some excuse, but there is no more excuse for this government standing idly by and witnessing the atrocities of Spain in Cuba without a protest than there is in a stout healthy man standing by without protesting while another is murdering women and children. Spain is brutal. She always has been brutal and for that reason is unfit to govern a dependency. For 400 years she has demonstrated her inability to govern Cuba and it is time for the United States to interfere and settle the trouble.

This country cannot afford to bury patriotism and sentiment and honor at the command of capital or business interests and when the latter makes such demands upon the country it is time to call a halt. It was so in the Chilean affair. It was so in the Hawaiian affair. It was so in the general arbitration treaty. The general fear that an assertion of the rights of the nation might injure somebody's business is responsible for all the opposition our American sentiment encountered. The general arbitration treaty was illegal in every way except from the standpoint of Great Britain and the sentiment in favor of it had its source in the cold-blooded cave of business interest which seems willing to surrender everything to making money. This policy is not only wrong but it is dangerous for the very plain reason that when American patriotism is once suppressed, there will follow upon its funeral wake anarchy and its attendant ills. We, as a nation, have responsibilities we dare not suppress. We can't if we would. We must hear the cry of the victims of Spanish atrocities going on at our door in Cuba. We must put a stop to it and the quicker the better. Is it well the president has consented to give the senate committee on foreign affairs the full history of the case so that the committee may act intelligently.

The great majority in the house against the Humphrey bill does not fairly measure the standing of those bills in the house. The friends of the bills perhaps lacked a few votes of having enough to pass them and when this shortage became known scores of men who intended to vote for the bills ran to cover and voted against them.

Nobody blames Weyler for making the fast ride to avoid capture by the insurgents but they do insist that if the war is over as he says, and the insurgents have been subdued he is very foolish to flee from peaceful citizens who may simply have desired to shake hands with the conqueror.

The Humphrey bills seem to have lost their "grip."

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

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Wonderful**Wash Goods Sale**

At BRADLEY BROS.

50 pieces Linen Color Batiste, in fancy figures, at.....	4c yard
100 pieces Corded Dimities, at.....	6½c yard
100 pieces 30-inch Jaconette Duchess Lawn, at.....	6½c yard
200 pieces Jaconette Duchess, Irish Lawn and Dimities, at.....	7c yard
One lot Scotch Lawn, 40 inches wide, at.....	10c yard
One box Open Lace Stripe Madras Wash Goods, at.....	8½c yard
One case of Fine Light Dimities, at.....	10c yard
One lot of Finest Irish Dimities, the regular 25c quality, at.....	15c yard
One lot Dotted Swiss, in fancy colors, at.....	15c yard
One lot of 40-inch Organdy Leisse, at.....	15c yard
One lot of Fine Organdies, made on French Cloth, at.....	19c yard
Extra Fine French Organdies, in choice patterns, at.....	20c yard
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That mighty May movement of our own incomparable stock at special sale, together with a Big Underwriters' sale of the Ely-Walker stock, converts Decatur's greatest trading place into a veritable *Bargain Bazaar*.

Over \$15,000 Worth of Almost Perfect Goods

Offered on our three spacious floors at reductions the like of which you will find nowhere else. We did not bid on goods damaged to such an extent as to be practically useless—we bought only such goods as were all right in every way.

The delivery of our purchases began Wednesday morning and will continue for several days. Our patrons can depend on the goods being for the most part in perfect condition—some slightly soiled, but not materially injured. This is without question the Greatest Sale of Salvage Fire Goods being held in Central Illinois, and an Unparalleled Opportunity to Secure Bargains Greater Than Ever Offered Before.

On the Main Floor.

Great May Sale of Dress Goods.

1 case of 30-inch Cheviot Suitings for summer wear, all fancy checks and worth up to 25c yd., all at	9c yd
1 case of 38-inch Cheviot Suitings, Scotch Heather Mixtures, summer weight and worth up to 25c yard, all at	11c yd
1 lot of Novelties, Steel Mohair, Serge Checks, etc. These goods are worth as high as 5c yard. All at	25c yd
1 lot of Mohair Fancies in 40-inch medium and dark mixtures, worth up to 6c yard, all at	30c yd
1 case of 40 inch Black Etamines. This is a summer fabric, being light and sheet. Our price only	35c yd
38-inch Black All Wool Fancies, large and small figures, regular 50c goods for	30c yd
46-inch Mohair Jacquards, beautiful blacks and handsome patterns. Choice at	44c yd
48-inch French Serge, just two shades—black and navy. These goods sell regular at 75c yd. Choice at	49c yd

Remnant Sale.

Hundreds of Short Lengths from 2 to 6 yards are going at about one-half regular price.

Linens and White Goods.

Fine Damask Towels, size 22x45 inches, two rows drawn work, assorted colored borders, Ely-Walker wholesale price \$2.75 doz.	Our price each 19c
58-inch Loom Table Damask, assorted patterns, Ely-Walker wholesale price 45c.	Our price 34c
70-inch Cream Damask, full width and weight, cheap at 60c. Our price 44c yd	

Gloves and Mitts.

15 dozen genuine Foster Kid Gloves, regular price \$1.00. For this sale, 53c pair.	
100 dozen Ladies' Black Silk Mitts worth 25c. For this sale, 15c pair.	

Muslin Underwear...



CLOAKS, SUITS, SKIRTS and WRAPPERS.

SPECIAL NO. 1.	75 Misses' and Children's Spring Jackets made up in plain and novelty goods, reeler front and plaited back, the 60 quality.
50 Ladies' Spring Jackets in all the new colorings, cut in the new fly front and Brandenburg. Plain and braid trimmed. The \$10 and \$12 grade. Your choice.	\$7.75 each
SPECIAL NO. 2.	100 Ladies' Cloth Suits, plain and fancy mixtures, coat full silk lined with changeable Taffeta, fly front Eaton and Blazer effects; the \$12 and \$15 quality.
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Basement Laces.

One lot of 65 pieces of Cream and Black Laces worth 25c, at

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An assorted lot of Ladies' and Misses' Belts of various kinds, worth up to 50c each. Sale price 10c each.

Pearl Buttons, the 5c kind,2½c doz.

Highly Finished Superior Rounded Bone Hairpins, 6 pins in a package; they're worth 50c box. For this sale 10c box.

Feather Stitch Braid, all colors, 6 yards in a piece. Our price 1c piece

Bixby's Royal Polish, restores color and gloss to all black leathers. 10c

Bailey's Petroleum Jelly, worth 15c, at a jar.

Woodbury's Fine Bulk Extract, (10 dif-

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1000 Bottles of Bailey's Celebrated Per-

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Three Great Specials.

LOT 1—Your choice of—

20 Ladies' Spring Jackets. 49c

20 " Capes. 50c

50 Children's Spring Reefs. 150 Ladies' Wash Wrappers. 98c

LOT 2—Your choice of—

60 Ladies' Duck Skirts. The size quality. 98c

75 Children's Spring Reefs. The size quality. 98c

500 Ladies' Wash Wrappers. The size quality. 98c

LOT 3—Your choice of—

50 Misses' Reefs Jackets. 49c

64.50 Duck Skirts. 49c

54.00 Children's Reefs. 49c

60 Ladies' Spring Jackets. \$1.98



TO THE SOUTH.

BOLEN & LANNING, Real Estate Dealers have another of their popular EXCURSIONS on TUESDAY, MAY 19TH. They are selling so much of their choice cheap land near the city of Decatur. These lands are smooth, level and above, most of one and two acres. We can sell you cheaper land than in some of them. Write or telegraph. We also do a general brokerage business, have land to sell for stocks of business, and any kind of a trade in Texas, New Mexico, California, and elsewhere. In fact we do this without advertising the same. Write or telegraph and see us in Mifflin bank building, Decatur, Ills.

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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

U. S. Special meeting of Decatur Chapter No. 111, O. O. E. S., at Masonic Temple Thursday evening, May 19th, 8 P.M. Our members are invited. Mrs. MARY E. FERGUSON, W. M. S. J. STEELE, Secy.

NIGHTS OF PANTHERAS.—Regular meeting at the Lion Lodge, No. 17, 18th & 22nd Sts., on Thursday evening, May 19th, at 7.30 o'clock in their new hall, 320 Cherry Powers' new house, all attendance requested. Visiting Knights invited. E. S. MILLSPAGH, C. C. F. W. A. WILSON, K. H. and S.

Buckley's Aronica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetters, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Curves, and all Skin Irritations and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the druggist.

Paddy Gorman, the Australian, laid down in the third round of the fight with Tommy Ryan of Syracuse, at the Rustic club, Rochester, N. Y., and Ryan got the decision.

A Warm Friend.

Foley's Colic Cure is very hot, but when diluted it is a warm friend, indeed, to those suffering from bowel complaints. It never fails. 25c and 50c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

We report that secret negotiations of great importance are being carried on between Spain and the United States in regard to Cuba is denied at the state department.

Unfortunate People are they who while suffering from Kidney Diseases are prejudiced against all medical remedies. They should know that Foley's Kidney Cure is not a quack remedy, but an honest guaranteed medicine for Kidney and Bladder troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

George King, of Normal, has invented a neoprene boot for sore-footed horses.

Croup and whooping cough are childhood's terrors; but like pneumonia, bronchitis, and other throat and lung troubles, can be quickly cured by using One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The supreme council of the American Protective Association is holding its annual meeting in Washington and continue until Saturday. The meetings are held in secret.

Unconditional surrender, is the only term those famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers will make with constipation, sick headache and stomach troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Both the states of Iowa and Tennessee have given formal authority to the secretary of agriculture to conduct hog cholera experiments in their territory this summer.

When Weak, Weary and Wasted from Kidney Diseases, why not try Foley's Kidney Cure, a guaranteed medicine. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The comptroller of the currency has declared a 20 per cent dividend in favor of the creditors of the insolvent Dakota National bank of Sioux Falls, S. D.

When the spring time comes, "gentle Annie," like all other sensible persons, will cleanse the liver and renovate the system with DeWitt's Little Early Risers, famous little pills for the liver and stomach all the year round. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Herman Feund, a well known merchant of Detroit, committed suicide by taking poison. He was despondent over business difficulties.

To Consumptives. As an honest remedy, Foley's Honey and Tar does not hold out false hopes in advanced stages, but truthfully claims to give comfort and relief in the very worst cases, and in the early stages to effect a cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The third rail electric railroad system was tried on the New England tracks between Hartford and New Britain and is a success.

When a cold is contracted, cure it at once. One Minute Cough Cure will set you on the road to recovery in a matter of days. It will cure pneumonia, bronchitis, croup and all forms of lung and throat troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Gins walnuts and Brazil nuts are a bon-often seen at luncheons.

Thirty years is a long time to fight so painful a trouble as piles, but Jacob Mitchell, of Unionville, Pa., struggled that long before he tried DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, which quickly and permanently cured him. It is equally effective in eczema and all skin afflictions. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

HOME OF SPEEDY HORSES

Belle Meade Farm the Mecca of Buyers and Breeders.

Yearlings That Are Well Cared for Kings of the Equine World, Each of Which Dwells in an Equine Palace.

[Copyright, 1897.] Nashville, Tenn.—During the past 12 months there have been more visitors to this city than any two previous years combined can boast of. The immediate attraction has been the Tennessee centennial exposition and allied interests, but many a man and many a delegation have accepted invitations to visit Nashville because of the opportunity while here of visiting the unexcelled stock farms that may be found on almost every road that traverses the rich blue grass country hereabouts.

Interest in these farms is not confined to breeders of fine stock nor to owners and followers of race horses. Hundreds of schoolgirls, delegations of bankers and brokers, and delegates to educational and labor associations visit them and give vent to the same quality of admiration, though expressed in various ways. It is the same love of nature that moves them all, and, though the good judge of horse flesh may wince at the expressed cause and form of the schoolgirl's admiration, he cannot deny that her pleasure in seeing a fine horse is as keen as his own.

There are 20 magnificent establishments, at least, within the immediate vicinity of Nashville that are more or less famous for some kind of live stock product, but the most famous of them all is Belle Meade, the thoroughbred nursery of Gen. W. H. Jackson. The people of Nashville feel a sort of personal interest in this place because Gen. Jackson has allowed them to treat it almost as public property. He has never been known to fail to extend courtesies to any party of visitors that desired to see the beauties of his establishment, and, whenever it is at all practicable, he receives his visitors in the broad paddocks on the other

side of the lane and in the rich meadows stretching away into the blue distance of the valley below. High-born brood mares graze and suckle their sleek colts. In a hundred places in any first-class farm book the names of Belle Meade sires may be found coupled with such names as Duchess, Wanda, Tulla, Blackburn, Trade Wind, Ogurita and Yorkville Belle. These are probably the best known of the lot.

The 5,300 acres of this rich farm are shared as pasture with the thoroughbred horses by a beautiful herd of Jersey cattle, hundreds of deer that run wild in an immense park, shaggy Shetland ponies and all the animal adjuncts of a first-class country establishment. One of the sights of the place is the dairy wherein 100 cows are milked daily. In the little stone spring house there is a plain cedar paddle that has patted into commercial shape \$30,000 worth of butter.

In person and personally explains the fine points and details the records of the famous line of stallions. The heavy iron gate of Belle Meade is always swung back on their massive stone pillars in the daytime and the double row of shade trees that guard the main drive leading up to the house seems to offer an invitation to all visitors. The negroes on the place by long habit and instruction are uniformly courteous to visitors and they know enough to answer all proper questions. Just now the eyes of the racing world are on the south and west. The march of the grand circuit, which begins at New Orleans and comes up through Little Rock and Memphis to Nashville, Louisville and the other racing towns, is on. Practical horsemen are passing through Nashville every day, coming and going with their "strings," and whenever one of them gets a chance, he slips out to Belle Meade to get a glimpse at the new crop of youngsters.

These youngsters are the especial charges of Uncle Bob, the old negro who has spent 72 years on the farm and has done much of the actual work of developing the splendid line of racers that have borne Belle Meade pedigrees to victory on every important track.

Bob is one of the features of the place and he often assists and sometimes represents Gen. Jackson in the performance of the duties of host. He has thoroughly mastered the graceful hospitality that has characterized his successive masters.

Bob is particularly proud of this year's lot of youngsters and while showing them the other day, he pointed out one or two that are sure future winners of the great eastern handicaps and stakes, according to his view. Bob's blind prejudice in favor of Belle Meade dictates his judgment of horses on the track, but he had occasion a few years ago to give a forcible illustration of his deep knowledge of the running qualities of a horse and the racing world has scarcely quit talking of it yet. On the occasion in question there was a scrubby-looking youngster in a lot offered for sale that Gen. Jackson and all expert horsemen called a counterfeit. Bob insisted that the colt was a good one and, when no one would make a bid for him, he offered \$40 and was declared the winner.

People laughed and called the ill-favored colt Uncle Bob. The old negro trained the animal himself and two years later Uncle Bob won the American Derby and that colt proved to be one of the best horses of his time.

These Belle Meade yearlings are nurtured almost like human babies, and there is little cause to wonder that they should be, when it is remembered that the sales often show an average of something like \$1,500.

There are thousands of followers of the races who know little or nothing of this farm, perhaps, who can recite from memory the victories of some of the great yearlings that Uncle Bob has led into the ring. The list of heavy

B. KIRK RANKIN.

How to Utilize Diamonds.

"Why do you spend so much money for diamonds?"

"I am putting them away for a rainy day."

"How will diamonds help you then?"

"Oh, I can soak them." — Brooklyn Life.

B. KIRK RANKIN.

A Queer (?) Medicine.

There is a medicine whose proprietors do not claim to have discovered some hitherto unknown ingredient, or that it is a cure-all. This honest medicine only claims to cure certain diseases, and that its ingredients are recognized by the most skilled physicians as being the best for Kidney and Bladder Diseases. It is Foley's Kidney Cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

A WOMAN'S LIFE.

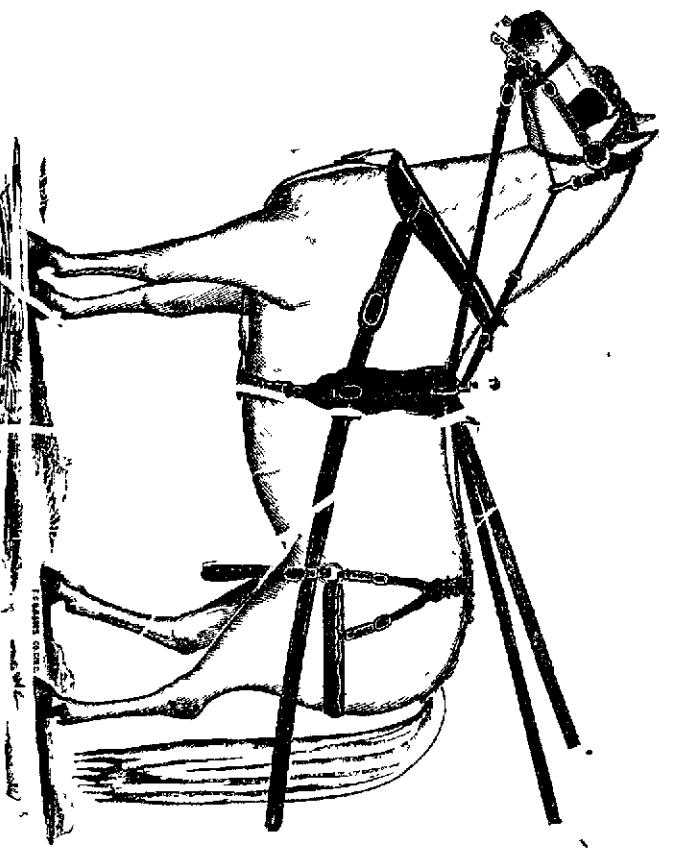
Many Private Troubles Borne Without Complaint.

How many, think you, have any idea of the suffering endured by a large proportion of American women?

You will think us extravagant in expression, yet the fact remains, that diseases of the uterus and ovarian troubles are universal—you may note their ravages in the pale faces you meet—more marked indications are dizziness, faintness, irritability, melancholy, extreme lassitude, sleeplessness, severe headache and disturbances of the stomach. A Cincinnati girl says—

"Words cannot express my gratitude for the good that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has done for me. I have taken five bottles. The pains in my chest and abdomen have gone. My step is more steady, appetite better and feel better in every respect. Menstrus heretofore lasted too long, were very profuse and made me very weak. The Compound is a miracle. I have tried doctor's medicine, but of no avail. I would not give up the Compound for female complaints for all the doctor's medicine in the world. My friends want to know what makes me look so well. I do not hesitate—one moment in telling them what has brought about this wonderful change. I cannot sing its praises enough. I hope every one who suffers as I have, will give Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound a trial. It has helped me, and I know that if taken according to directions it will not only help but cure others. Miss Grace Collard, 1434 Eastern Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio."

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THE HORSES' GREATEST FRIEND ...A Medicated Rock....

It cools out the foot, allays all fever and inflammation, softens the frog and sole, takes out all soreness from picking up nails, bruises, corns, contracted feet, thrush founder, stiffness, hoof diseases.

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Shares in the
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MONTHLY PAYMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:
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Our Neighbors

Dalton City.
Hon. D. P. Kellar, of Moweaqua, was a visitor here Tuesday.

Pat Henneberry visited Decatur Monday.

Mrs. Con McCarthy visited Decatur Monday.

Mike Duggan, of Decatur, visited friends here Sunday.

Miss Kate Kelly, of Decatur, visited the family of James Nolan over Sunday. Ed Mulvey transacted business in Decatur Tuesday.

Billy Bell as on our streets Tuesday.

Thomas Walton, of Bethany, was a business visitor Tuesday.

A. S. Clark transacted business in Decatur Tuesday.

Miss Mary Duggan gave a party at her home last Friday evening to a large number of her friends. All enjoyed a pleasant time. Music was furnished by John Taylor's orchestra.

In the case of Mary A. Duggan against A. S. Clark, which came up last Friday, May 7, in Sullivan, there were a large number who attended the trial.

Rev. Father O'Rourke visited Decatur Tuesday.

Miss Agnes Mulvey visited Decatur over Sunday.

Harry Christy and wife, of the Wizard Oil company, gave a fine entertainment here the past week in the opera house. The show was well attended every night. They left on Tuesday for Macon, where they will hold their entertainment the coming week.

Oreana.

Bert Glens and family, of Alvin, Ill., returned home Tuesday after a visit with friends and relatives in this vicinity.

A number of young folks from Oreana attended the entertainment given by the I. O. O. F. lodge at Forsyth Thursday evening.

G. W. Hall, of Decatur, was in Oreana Tuesday.

Mrs. C. F. James and children visited relatives near Argenta Sunday.

Miss Liza Sneiders, of Decatur, visited her sister, Mrs. C. F. James, Saturday. Strope and Moothart are shelling corn this week.

Misses Anna and Ida Strope visited relatives in Argenta Saturday.

Mrs. Rambo, of Decatur, visited relatives near Oreana last week.

Dr. Evans, of Philadelphia, Pa., was a caller in Oreana Tuesday.

Rev. Hicks of Arthur, preached at the Baptist church last Sunday morning and evening.

Rev. Shanks, of Normal, will preach at the Christian church next Sunday morning and evening.

J. H. Moothart and wife were Decatur visitors last Friday.

Maria.

Miss Ethel Holloway, who has been visiting Miss Bertha Blanchard, left Thursday for her home in Janesville, Wis.

Mrs. Jason Rogers, of Decatur, and Mrs. H. D. Spencer, of Bloomington, were in Maria Thursday.

Dr. C. A. McLean and wife spent Sunday in Maria with relatives.

Raymond Bowden and Miss Lotta Crowell went to Clinton Friday to see Walter Wedde, who is very sick.

The Empower League tendered Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Kemp a farewell reception in the parlors of the M. E. church Saturday evening. The affair was under the man agement of Miss Jane Knot, assisted by Misses Dora Chapman, Nellie and Lizzie Cade, Grace Fry and Mae Swan. Refreshments were served.

The entertainment given by the Eastern Star on Friday evening at Masonic hall was well patronized. The door work by the ladies was good. An entertaining program was given after which refreshments consisting of cake and coffee were served in the banquet room.

E. L. Kemp and family left Sunday for their new home at Pana.

Miss Mary Brown, of Heyworth, is drilling the junior class for their rhetorical on Wednesday evening.

B. F. Shipley went to Chicago on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Costello entertained a few friends in honor of John Malone on Tuesday evening.

Miss Lydia Boles is among the sick.

Dan Kessler spent Sunday with relatives at Greencastle, Ind.

George Bowzer, of Monmouth, Kan., visited old Maria friends a few days last week.

Dr. Ray Coddington, of Atwood, will assist Dr. Anderson in dental work this summer. Branch offices will be opened at Kenney, Weldon and Argenta, to each of which regular visits will be made.

Mrs. William Moore, of New Berlin, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. John Clough, returned to her home Thursday.

Miss Anna Lowe, of Harristown, visited Mrs. David Rainey a few days last week.

Miss Etta Camp, of Chicago, spent Sunday with her mother in this city.

A. Bradford and Mrs. I. D. Emrick have returned from a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Bradford, at Gainesville.

The junior class will give a rhetorical at the opera house on Wednesday evening. An admission of 10 cents will be charged. The program is:

Voluntary—Jessie Bennett.

Invocation—Elder Lloyd Newcomer.

Essay, "Punctuality"—Florence Bennett.

Recitation, "Famer and Wheel; or the New Lochinvar"—Maude Moon.

Vocal duet, "Fly away Birdling"—Jessie and Florence Bennett.

"Over the Alps Lies Thine Italy"—Nellie Barr.

"Woman's Mission"—Fern Funk.

"The First Settler's Story"—Matte Sterling.

Instrumental solo—Jessie Bennett.

Debate, "Resolved, That men are mentally superior to women." Affirmative—Bert Corvall and Clarence Leach;

Negative—Helen Swan and Ida Mayall.

Address—President of the Board of Education B. F. Shipley.

Paper—J. G. Kellar, county superintendent.

Music—Junior class.

Benediction—Rev. Preston Wood.

Bearskins.

T. S. Hunsley closes his school today, the usual big dinner being postponed until next year on account of everyone being so busy.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown and Mrs. Flora Lebew, of Warrensburg, visited with Mrs. Campbell yesterday.

Mrs. Cora Berkstresser, of Martinville, Ill., is here to attend the Women's missionary meeting and visit old friends.

C. C. Hall and Mr. Landis visited Jim and Will Landis near Kenney Sunday.

Quite a number of our young people were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Major last Friday night.

Will Coonradt spent Sunday with Earle Braden.

Our annual missionary meeting which is being held at Boling Spring is quite well attended by people from all parts of the state as well as our home people. The meetings both tonight and tomorrow will be especially interesting.

Five young people from Decatur, friends of Miss Myrtle Bear, rode out on their wheels Sunday morning to spend the day with her. How bad they must have felt when the heavy rain came and they all had to go home in the big wagon.

Our agent is doing his part toward making our town attractive. He has planted sunflower seed in his garden near the depot.

Canner.

Several farmers commenced planting corn Saturday, but it has been too wet to plant since.

The rain Sunday was welcomed by the farmers as the ground was getting hard.

S. S. Nicholson has received the appointment as postmaster at Long Creek.

Mrs. Burrows, of Minnesota, attended her mother's funeral and visited a few days with relatives.

Assessor G. W. Florey is making the annual rounds and various dispositions of dogs are accordingly being made.

Henry Lichtenberger and wife of North Fork visited Casner Sunday school Sunday and dined with M. W. Patterson. Mr. Lichtenberger is township president.

The excursion to Indianapolis was very poorly patronized from here, only about four going.

L. B. Casner, of Decatur, spent some days here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Underwood visited their daughter, Mrs. Jolley, of Cerro Gordo, Monday.

John Phipps and wife Abram Bushart, of Danville, attended the funeral of M. S. Bushart last Friday.

Since the Daily Republican now comes out on the afternoon train we think we are ahead of Decatur people in getting the news.

The third quarterly meeting of Casner circuit was held Saturday and Sunday at Atkin's chapel. Rev. J. A. F. King, P. E., had charge of the services.

L. L. Underwood and family, of Decatur, visited Sunday with his parents near here. A number of other relatives also took dinner there.

Martin Lindsay, of Long Creek, is at work on the Tobiah store now being erected. It is being put up south of the Odd Fellows' hall.

County Surveyor George V. Loring was out Monday surveying our village and found some lots occupied by the wrong parties. A mistake was made when the buildings were erected.

Died, at the family residence, one mile east of here, Mrs. Susanna Brastad, on Wednesday, May 6, aged 66 years, 4 months and 18 days. Her maiden name was Susanna Hook. She was born near Lima, Ohio, January 22, 1831. She married William Bushart of Allen county, Ohio, and they came to Moultrie county, Illinois, and after one year came to Macon county where she has since resided except an interval of two years. Her husband enlisted in the cause of the Union in 1863 and was killed in the Vicksburg campaign in 1863. She leaves eight children, four sons and four daughters, to mourn her loss. They are J. M., of Hervey City; Abram, of Danville; W. H., of Delton; D. L., of Casper; Mrs. Mary Boyer, ofnear Cerro Gordo; Mrs. Eliza Burrows, of Hatfield, Minn.; Mrs. Susie Phipps, of Danville, and Mrs. John Dickey, of Casner. She was a member of Casner U. B. church and died giving evidence of her unswerving faith in her Lord. The interment took place at La Place cemetery, Rev. Arnold conducting the funeral ceremonies.

Zimmerman is but 26 years of age, so that he is by no means old enough to be a genuine has-been.

Sol Riley, of Danville, has a "human faced" hen for which he has refused \$25.

There are 1425 characters in the 24 books that Dickens wrote.

Nearly every one has read the first 20 stories of "Trilby," but how she lived for years under the hypnotic spell of "Swengal," and then broke the spell only to die. There are tens of thousands of women to-day living under the spell of a "Swengal" from which they will only awaken to die. Their "Swengal" is ill-health. The woman who neglects to take care of her health in a womanly way is living under a spell of fear from which she may easily awaken when it is too late.

The woman who wishes to be strong and healthy in her womanly self can easily become so by taking Dr. Pierce's favorite prescription. It cures all weakness and disease of the child-bearing organism, and makes it healthy and vigorous. It fits for wifehood and motherhood. It banishes the qualms of the period of solicitude, makes baby's advent easy and almost painless, and insures the health of the newcomer. All honest druggists recommend it.

"I have taken both Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and 'Favorite Prescription' and followed his advice, sent in answer to my letter to him, for chronic inflammation of the uterus and ovaries. I am now well again. Dr. S. Scott Park, Rapids, Hubbard Co., Minn.—I also had a tooth trouble which was terribly distressing. I have been cured of all by his valuable medicines and advice. I had suffered untold misery for four years previous to taking his treatment, but began to feel the good effects at once."

"The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser" has had the largest circulation of any medical work in the English language. Nearly poison copies of it were sold at \$1 each, and now half a million copies are being given away—absolutely free. The book is a complete medical library in one volume. It will be sent (paper-covered) post-paid, to any one sending 25 cent stamps to the World's Dispensary and Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y. If French cloth, embossed binding is desired, send 5 cents extra, 15 cents in all to pay the extra cost of this more handsome and durable binding.

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The Wabash Railroad will sell excursion tickets at greatly reduced rates to the following meetings:

May 4th and 18th, settlers' one way ticket to points south at very low rates.

Sunday fare rate tickets will be sold from stations east of Mississippi River, except points north of Belmont on Chicago Division, and from Belmont—good going all day and returning Sunday only.

Homeseekers' excursion to principal points in the west, northwest, south and southwest on the first and third Tuesdays of every month at one fare plus \$2 round trip. Tickets good for one day, unless otherwise specified, and returnable.

German Baptist annual meeting, Fredericksburg, June 3.

Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y., August 24th.

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Special excursion tickets will be sold from all stations east of Mississippi River, except to points north of Belmont on Chicago Division, but days at very low rates—good going and returning Sunday.

Excursions to principal points in the west, coming south and southwest on the first and third Fridays of every month, at one fare plus \$2 round trip. Tickets good returning every Tuesday and Friday within three weeks.

Stop overs granted on going trip.

Annual Baptist annual meeting, Fredericksburg, June 3.

Grand Army of the Republic, Buffalo, N. Y., August 24th to 26th.

Young People's Union, Chattanooga, Tenn., National Educational Association, Milwaukee, July 10 to 12th.

Twenty-seventh Bunde Turn Fest, St. Louis, Mo., June 10.

Harrow League, Toronto, in July.

German Baptist, old order, Rossville, Ind., June 12th.

Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct. 31st.

Annual meeting Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, June 10.

Warsaw, Ind., account General Assembly Presbyterian Church; one round trip.

Chicago, May 11th to 25th, good returning trip.

Excursion to the celebrated coast country, The American Land Company of St. Louis, Mo., who own large tracts of land near Houston and Galveston in the "Diamond District" of Texas, have arranged for a special excursion to Galveston. The fare of all parties who go down on the excursions of May 14th and 15th who may purchase land of them and who purchase tickets at the Wabash due to St. Louis or Kansas City, will receive free from those points. One fare, plus \$2 for round trip.

For full information regarding dates of sale, limits of tickets, rates, maps and descriptive advertising matter, write or apply to C. A. Polk, passenger and ticket agent Wabash Rail road, Decatur, Ills.

Executor's Notice of Final Settlement

STATE OF ILLINOIS, }
MACON COUNTY, }
I State of Sarah J. Thomas, Deceased.

The undersigned, Heirs and Devisees of said Estate:

That we hereby notify that on Monday, the 11th day of April, 1897, the testator of the last will and testament of said deceased will appear before the county court of Macon County, at Decatur, Illinois, his final report of his acts and doings, and execute, and ask the court to be discharged from his services, and all further duties and responsibilities connected therewith, and his administration thereof, at which time and place if you choose so to do.

PARKER THOMAS, Executor.

May 6-12m.

Administrator's Notice.

State of Susan Epler, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed Adminis-

trator of the estate of Susan Epler, late of

County of Macon, State of Illinois, deceased, de-

cated, hereby gives notice that he will appear

before the county court of Macon County, at the

first Monday in June next, at the time and

place above mentioned, to present his account

and to have the same adjusted.

All persons interested

in the estate are requested to make immediate

payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 2d day of April, 1897.

J. H. EPLER, Administrator.

April 28-45m.

COLONIZING NATIONS.

No Country So Successful as Great Britain.

A Japanese paper, the Yorodzu-Choho, asks: "What, pray have the Anglo-Saxons done when colonizing? Where are the Tasmanians? How many 'black fellows' and Maoris are alive to-day?" Where are the wretched inhabitants of the islands along the eastern littoral of British North America? Where are the Hurons, Iroquois, Mengwes, Chippewas? Gone from the face of the globe. Yes, the Anglo-Saxons have been successful colonizers. Their simple custom is to sweep away the aboriginal inhabitants of any desirable site and then enclose themselves in well-earned content on the soil."

Such is the opinion of a journal of Japan. However this may be, England is to-day the only European government, except Holland, which has a larger colony than a home population. The total population of the British empire, including British protectorates in Asia and Africa, was 382,000,000 by the last census, while the total population of Great Britain by the same census was only 36,000,000, or ten times less. In other words, the colonial possessions of Great Britain were nine times larger than the home country in respect to population. Russia has extended to the east and south its imperial boundaries. France, in concert with England, has acquired new colonies in Asia and Africa. Portugal, Denmark and Holland have retained big colonies abroad; though the extent of the colonies of the first have been declining of late years, while the proportion of colonists to home inhabitants in Holland has declined during the last two centuries. But England keeps steadily increasing and, of late, there has been an addition to the number of English colonies, while, on the other hand, the Spanish colonies, in respect to area and population, have been declining.

Curiously enough, Italy, which has an overflowing population, and has contributed to the United States, to the Argentine republic and to other American states thousands of hardy immigrants, has, in fact, no colonies of her own, and the effort to establish a protectorate in Abyssinia has ended disastrously. Still another European country which would seem to have many facilities for colonizing is Austria, but there are no Austrian colonies, and no serious expansion of the empire in any direction. There is no accounting for the existence of a "colonizing spirit" among nations. One extends its power and authority; an adjacent country doesn't. Sweden, for instance, has for many years maintained colonies in various parts of the world. Norway, which adjoins it, never has, though the Norwegians are, perhaps, better sailors even than the Swedes. Holland has always been a colonizing country, and attestation of this is to be found in the city of New York. Belgium was not a colonizing country until recently, and when the two were associated together the Belgian provinces of Holland contributed but few colonizers. There have been many immigrants from Switzerland; there have been no Swiss colonies. The Mohammedan Turks never have. There have been Greek settlements, but no Greek colonies. The Anglo-Saxons, however, outrank all others in respect to colonization, the English and Scotch especially.—Detroit Free Press.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Drug Store in Danville, Ill. W. E. LINDBECK. 8-46

FOR SALE—A Piano, in first-class condition.

To see the piano and learn particular call at 223 North College street.

April 22-45m.

FARMS FOR SALE—Over three thousand acres in the townships of Macon, Monroe and Piatt counties, Ill., being a portion of the celebrated Hale estate. For information, terms, etc., call on or address S. S. JACKSON, Agent, Decatur, Ill. May 11-45m.

I HAVE FOR SALE on easy terms, farm lands from 100 to 30,000 acres, ranging in price from \$2.50 to \$20.00 per acre, in every county in the state of Georgia. For description, location and price, see John S. Campbell & Co., 101 East Prairie street.

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur; \$1700 buys it; possession given immediately. Hurry up, buy it now. For info, call on PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 815 North Main street.

Feb 17-45m.

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—The Howland Barn on East Main street. Good stand and low rent. Apply to JOHN A. BROWN. 8-22m.

FOR RENT—70 acres fine blue grass pasture. Plenty of water all seasons. For terms apply to Bunn & Park, 162 E. Prairie avenue. 4-46

TO RENT—One four room and one six-room house; Solana Place, West Green st. CLARK & SCHROLL, Room 22 Arcade.

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SUITS OF ROOMS FOR RENT, at moderate prices, with steam heat and all conveniences, people of unquestionable reputation; no others need apply. BENJAMIN BROWN, Agent, offices 5, 6, 7, Gallagher Block. April 10-45m.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

NOTICE—I have resigned my position with N. Rainey & Son and my patrons will find me at the Decatur Carpet Cleaning Works on Wabash avenue, where I am prepared to lay carpet and renovate rugs. A. L. BROOKWAY, 581 North College street.

Now therefore, unless you, the said E. M. WEYANDT, shall be and appear before said court on the first day of May, 1897, to give an account of the sum due him, and if he does not, notice is hereby given to the said E. M. Weyandt that the above named complainant before filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side, that he will, with his consent, be allowed to file his bill of complaint in said court against the above named defendants to the sheriff of Macon county, and summons having been issued against the above named defendants before filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side, that he will, with his consent, be allowed to file his bill of complaint in said court against the above named defendants to the sheriff of Macon county, and summons having been issued against the above named defendants before filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side, that he will, with his consent, be allowed to file his bill of complaint in said court against the above named defendants to the sheriff of Macon county, and summons having been issued against the above named defendants before filed his bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side, that he 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DECATUR, ILL.

King's Soda Fountain

Is now open for the season, in
charge of a Soda Expert.

Largest and Finest Fountain in the City.

Cor. Main and Water Sts.

LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.
Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made
by Jacob Keek.

Irvine's harmless headache powder cures
in 15 minutes.

The play at the Grand tonight will be
"Tried and True."

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of
bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22 dif.

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent-
er, made by John Welgand. Moh 26 cf.

The further hearing of evidence in the
Farmers' bank assignment case will be
resumed in the county court tomorrow.

After May 15th we close at 7 p. m.
Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. Telephone
344.

Look out for the flower thieves. Watch
for them. Then call out the blood-
hounds.

It's all fixed at last. Decatur is to have
games of ball this summer at the Edward
street park.

Roger & Gallet's violet perfume, special
price of sixty-five cents an ounce at West's
Drug store.—12dwt.

On and after June 1st we will close on
Sunday. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co.
Telephone 344.

The regular meeting of Coeur de Leon
lodge, No. 17, Knights of Pythias, will be
held this evening.

Next Monday night a musicale will be
given at the home of Mrs. J. K. Love for
the benefit of the Sunday school of the
College street chapel.

Special prices on Roger & Gallet's vio-
lets, sixty-five cents per ounce. West's
Drug store.—12dwt.

Ask your druggist for the German
Cataract Cure, a positive cure for ca-
taract, asthma, cough, colds and head-
ache. Mar 16 dif.

Imported perfumes, toilet preparations,
smelling salts, rouges, mantoue supplies
just received at West's Drug store; low
prices on everything.—12dwt.

New pianos, fully warranted for five
years, \$157, \$148, \$168, \$187 and \$203.
Terms, \$20 cash and \$7 per month. A
chance of a lifetime. Phillips & Wood.

The members of the Briar Missionary
society of the College street chapel held
their regular monthly meeting this after-
noon at the home of Miss Williams on
West William street.

The Grand Army committees are ac-
tively engaged in making preparations
for Memorial day. There are many
things to be done and all will be attended
to promptly.

One hundred planes and organs at fac-
tory cost. Just think of it. Call and be
convinced that we are actually closing
out our stock to settle our partnership
affairs. Now is the time, 331 North Wa-
ter street, the place. Phillip & Wood.

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds
of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedsmen
fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed
in bulk. No. 323 North Main street.
Durfee & Culp.—1-dwt.

At the services which will be held by
the members of the Young Men's Sunday
Evening club at the Congregational
church next Sunday night vocal solo will
be rendered by Asa Somerville and Mrs.
Alice Freeman Spalding of Champaign.

Roger & Gallet's perfumes, sachet pow-
ders, face powders, almond meal, perfum-
ing pastilles, just received at West's Drug
store.—12dwt.

The Cross Roads school closed on May
19 with a picnic at which a fine dinner
was served, supplemented by a program
of exercises. All had a good time. This
closes M. C. Linthicum's second term at
the Cross Roads. He is retained as teacher
for the ensuing term.

Yesterday afternoon the Daughters of
the American Revolution met at the home
of Mrs. S. S. Jack and discussed colonial
history. By request Mrs. Effie R. Ken-
nedy read again her excellent paper on
colonial history, and Mrs. V. N. Hostetter
discussed the battle of Ticonderoga. The
next meet of the society will be at the
home of Mrs. Hostetter.

There is still a great deal of work to be
done at the new rooms of the public li-
brary. The carpenters have finished put-
ting in the new book shelves and counter.
Some of the wood work is to be varnished
and the chandeliers are yet to be put in
place. The librarian and her assistants
will re-arrange all the books and as this
will take many days it is not likely that
the library will be opened before the last
of this month or the first of June.

Garden Seeds.

Just received a large stock of all kinds
of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden
seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s—
jan 9-2d&wtf.

CYCLONE (Insurance in first-class com-
panies. J. L. Drake, over F. O.)

Death of a Child.

The infant son of Alois Moser and wife
died at the family home, 400 South Franklin
street, Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock,
at the age of 9 days. The funeral services
were held at the German Catholic church
this afternoon at 2:30. The interment
was in the Catholic cemetery.

Changes of Ownership.

Joseph Michi is now the owner of the
store building on North Water street oc-
cupied jointly by J. Chadot, newsdealer,
and Ed Dennz, the tailor. The consider-
ation was \$14,000. Mr. Michi bought the
property of A. G. Webster.

Joseph B. Smallwood has bought the
Rehling property at the corner of East
Main and Franklin streets for \$5000.

Mrs. J. T. Winslow, late of Warrens-
burg, has purchased the A. T. Summers
residence on West William street. Con-
sideration \$7000.

Hard Luck.

Miss Isa Thomas and Miss Mildred
Belford, members of the Duncan Clarke
specialty combination on its way from
Clinton to Taylorville, were stranded in
Decatur yesterday afternoon. They went to
Marshal Mason, desiring him to aid
them in getting their trunks from the
grasp of Clarke, but the trunks had gone
on Taylorville and nothing could be
done. The young women went to Man-
ager Given with their hard luck story,
and they also awakened the interest of
the members of the Holden company.

Mr. and Mrs. Given supplied the girls
with articles for wear and the Holden pe-
ople contributed \$5. The girls went to
Taylorville where they will appeal to the
law for possession of their trunks and will
have the box receipts attached to secure
all or a portion of their back salary.

Despilers of Flowers.

A bold and despicable sample of human
vandalism came to light this morning at
the home of ex-Alderman and Mrs. Gus
Ahrens in the 500 block on South Broad-
way. Mrs. Ahrens had devoted several
weeks time to the care and culture of a
large bed of geraniums and pansies and
they were in a bright and flourishing con-
dition last evening. During the night
some party of parties unknown invaded the
premises and completely destroyed the
bed of flowers by removing the entire
lot. Nothing was left but the dirt. Ev-
ery spring and summer reports come to
the Republican about flower thieves in
different parts of the city. The depre-
dations should be stopped.

Why not call out the bloodhounds? Put
Rattler and Daisy on the trail of the fel-
lows. They will be sure to "tree" them
and then proper punishment that will fit
the crime can be inflicted.

Church Wedding.

Last evening at 8 o'clock the marriage
of August Koschinski and Miss Augusta
Morentz took place at St. Johannes Ger-
man Lutheran church. The ceremony be-
ing performed by Rev. Heine of that
church. After the ceremony the couple
were tendered a reception at the home of
Fred Hill at 919 North Charles street.

Over 100 friends of the couple were at the
church to witness the ceremony and about
the same number were present at the re-
ception. The attendants were Misses
Carrie Tibursek, Gertrude Stephen and Ber-
tha Ehrod and Messrs. Fred Morentz, Michael
Sotomirski and Gottfried Hill.

After partaking of a wedding supper at
the home of Mr. Hill, the guests spent the
evening in dancing. The groom is an
employee of the Wabash and is a brother of
Officer Ed Koschinski of the city police
force. The couple will live in the 1100
block on East Orchard street.

The Mute Team.

Whether or not Decatur secures the
mute team simply remains with the pub-
lic. If the trial games are not well pat-
ronized Messrs. Dougherty and Leighton
will of course not feel like undertaking
the take the team for the season but if
the people show by their attendance that
they want a ball team the mute club will
at once be engaged. The players come
here with that understanding and seem to
be anxious to make Decatur their head-
quarters.

The mute team has not only become

well known because it is composed of men
who are deaf and dumb but because they
know how to play ball. They have not
been defeated but once this year and that
was by the Beardstown club. The best
player with the team will be Luther Tay-
lor, the mute pitcher. He is not with the
club now as he does not want to play in
small towns, but he is willing to come to
Decatur and will be here to play in the
games on May 23 and 24. Taylor has a
record for 1896 that is equalled by few.
In sixteen full games only five earned
runs were made off his delivery, and in
that number of games struck out 188
men. He has pitched in games with some
of the best teams in his class and has
always made a good showing. The
mutes have attracted considerable atten-
tion wherever they have played and with
such a team the local managers would
have no trouble in arranging games worth
attending. It is stated that the team will
positively remain in Decatur if the trial
games are well attended and if any inclina-
tion is shown by the people to sup-
port the club by their patronage. No
subscriptions will be solicited and all that
will be asked for is attendance at the
games.

Ninth Illinois Regiment Reunion.

Mascoutah, Ill., May 18.—The survi-
vors of the 9th Illinois regiment, one of
the most famous regiments that participated
in the war of the rebellion, met at
Okawville Springs, fifteen miles east of
here, on the Louisville and Nashville rail-
road yesterday for a two days' reunion.
In the four years of civil strife the 9th Illi-
nois actively participated in 110 battles
and skirmishes with the confederate army,
among them the battle of Shiloh, where
it went in with 573 men and sustained a
loss of 81 killed, 300 wounded and five
taken prisoners. It was mustered into
the service on April 26, 1861, and mustered
out with depleted ranks July 9, 1865. The
regiment was commanded by Colonels Elaser A. Paine, Samuel T. Hughes, E. C. Merx and Jesse J. Phillips. Phillips is the only one of the four now living, an Illinois supreme judge, residing at Hillsboro.

School Closed.

John Van Cleve, the teacher of the Blue
Door school near Oakley, closed his school
for the summer yesterday. The pupils
and parents tendered the teacher a picnic
dinner at the school house and special ex-
ercises were rendered by the children.

Order in the Ranks.

Captain-Sergeant, note down. Pri-
vate Grasgrun—three days on bread
and water for slovenly turnout on pa-
rade.

Sergeant—Beg pardon, captain, that

won't make the slightest difference to
him. He's a vegetarian!

"What?" Then put him for three
days on meat and soup!"—London An-
swers.

Visit Deaths of the Sultans.

Of the 38 sultans who have ruled the
Ottoman empire since the conquest of
Constantinople by the Turks, 31 have
died violent deaths.—Albany Argus

Grist of Washington Gossip.

Washington, May 13.—The senate com-
mittee has decided to ask the secretary of
state to supply as fully as possible all in-
formation in regard to the situation in
China. Senator Butler introduced a reso-
lution requesting "under what authority

President McKinley has accepted the
invitation to go to New York and take
part in the ceremonies on Memorial day.

Garden Seeds.

The remains of the Comtesse Luppen
have been identified among the uninter-
red five bodies rescued from the Paris
charity basar fire.

Turkey May Hold Thessaly.

St. Petersburg, May 14.—It is semi-
cially announced that in well-informed
quarters (evidently Russian for-
eign office) the belief prevails that it will

BALL IN DECATUR.

Games Will be Put Up at the Park if the People Want Them.

THE BALL WILL OPEN ON MAY 22-23.

Dummies of Kenney and a St. Louis Club to Inaugurate the Season—Dougherty & Leighton in the Lead.

ADDITIONAL PERSONALIA.

Attorney W. B. Tyler went to Wash-
ington today on legal business.

Dr. Benjamin Brown has returned
from Springfield.

D. L. Maxwell and Jerry Rogers
of Sterling, Ill., were in the city today
business.

Mrs. Charles Logan is ill at the home
of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kelly
on North Edward street.

Miss Lola Antim, who has been ill
of the grip for the past nine weeks at her
home on West Main street, is recovering
and able to be out.

Allan Bevans, who went